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In re Application of Kollin Tierling Application No. 09/957,004 Filed: September 19, 2001

: DECISION GRANTING PETITION : UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)

Attorney Docket No. IMM135

This is a decision on the petition, filed November 18, 2005, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on September 29, 2005 in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.¹

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2635 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and for consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement.

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The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b) (along with any balance due at the time of payment), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form must be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).